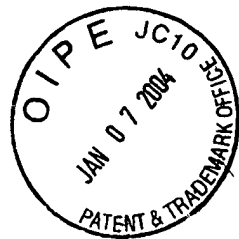


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AMENDMENT

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This amendment is in response to the Office action dated September 2, 2003, and is being filed within the first month after the three-month shortened statutory period set forth in the Office action (January 2, 2004). Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$55.00 for extension for response within one month.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.

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